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Rep. Robert Dornan Interviewed

GORDON PETERSON: Please welcome now to After Hours in the Channel 9 Newsroom Congressman Robert Dornan of California's 27th District....

PETERSON: You believe that there are American servicemen still alive, being held prisoner in Indochina.

REP. ROBERT DORNAN: Well, let me give you the documentation...

The documents I've brought, that I've just been showing Tom, the State Department documents of June of '73, after the last POWs came home in March of '73 on the [unintelligible] freedom flight out of Hanoi. It shows the State Department had a policy of suppressing news about live sightings of American servicemen.

I am convinced, and so is everyone who I think is decent in the intelligence community convinced, that we left Americans alive behind.

PAT BUCHANAN: ...the Secretary of State, then. Did he know about this?

REP. DORNAN: He bears the major fault. I've had one-on-one confrontations with him. It's a bipartisan utter scandal. Kissinger should have demanded a list of accounting up front before he signed off the Paris Peace Accords and got the Nobel Peace Prize. At least Tran Ván Dong had the savoir faire to reject the peace prize, because he knew what he was about, the conquering of Southeast Asia by force.

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